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The Interview: MDMA-Therapy Expert Dr. Rick Doblin
By Catherine Elton on September 10th, 2019. Boston Magazine. The world’s leading advocate for the medicinal use of psychedelics on the ghost of Timothy Leary, why Ecstasy could cure PTSD, and the best place to trip in Boston.

How a first responder says MDMA helped him get past PTSD
By Lilia Luciano on September 16th, 2019. ABC10. ABC 10 Sacramento interviews a former police officer and first responder who participated in a MAPS-sponsored Phase 3 clinical trial of MDMA-assisted psychotherapy for PTSD.

MDMA, Or Ecstasy, Shows Promise As A PTSD Treatment
NPR’s reporting partnership with KJZZ and Kaiser Health News. on August 14th, 2019. Boston Magazine. Scientists are testing how pharmaceutical-grade MDMA can be used in combination with psychotherapy to help patients who have a severe form of PTSD that has not responded to other treatments. Unlike street drugs, which may be adulterated and unsafe, researchers use a pure, precisely dosed form of the drug.

Tim Ferriss, the Man Who Put His Money Behind Psychedelic Medicine
By Benedict Carey on August 9th, 2019. New York Times. The author of “The 4-Hour Workweek” is behind a surge in funding for clinical research into psychedelic drugs.

MDMA treatment for alcoholism could reduce relapse, study suggests
By Helena Blackstone on September 6th, 2019. The Guardian. The Guardian reports on the first study to test the effectiveness of treating alcohol use disorder with MDMA-assisted psychotherapy. The study is conducted by Dr. Ben Sessa, an addiction psychiatrist and senior research fellow at Imperial College London, and MAPS provided the MDMA for the study. “MDMA psychotherapy gives you the opportunity to tackle rigidly held personal narratives that are based on early trauma. It’s the perfect drug for trauma-focused psychotherapy,” explains Dr. Sessa.